



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Marjorie Gan VALIX

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Examiner: R. Madsen

For: **FOOD GRADE WAX AND PROCESS FOR PREPARING THE SAME**

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 14, 2002. The three-month shortened statutory period was set to expire on April 14, 2002; accordingly a petition for a two-month extension and check for the required fee is filed herewith, extending the period for response to June 14, 2002.

In view of the subsequent remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are now in condition for allowance.

REMARKS

Claims 2-18 are currently pending in the present application. Claim 2 is an independent claim drawn to a process for preparing a wax composition from crude sugar cane wax with claims 3-16 depending therefrom. Claim 18 is an independent claim drawn to a

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